

## PORTSMOUTH LOCAL NEWS AND ADVERTISEMENTS

## PORTSMOUTH AND NORFOLK COUNTY

## What Virginian-Pilot Representatives Hear Daily.

## BRIEF ITEMS OF INTEREST

**The Movements of People in Whom the Average Reader is Interested—Happenings in Legal-Business, Religious and Social Circles—A Forecast of Future Events.**

Measles are becoming quite prevalent again. Yesterday morning was the coldest one of this winter. There was plenty skating during the day and the small boy enjoyed it.

Rev. Mr. Headless, pastor of Central M. E. Church, was on the street yesterday for the first time in ten days, having been confined to his home by sickness.

The Monumental Epworth League will hold its devotional meeting tonight. The subject for discussion is "Idle in the Market Place." The meeting will be held by Miss Louise Ernest.

The condition of Mr. E. N. Grant was much improved yesterday. He is still confined to his bed, however.

Read the change in E. L. Dashiell's advertisement. He tells you what it is to your interest to do.

It looks like Portsmouth is about to have a wood famine. Several of the dealers are out of wood entirely, and a number of others have but little on hand. They say that they are having considerable trouble in getting a supply. The quantity cut was small and has all been consumed.

Mr. Fred McWilliams, an attaché of the contractor's office in the navy-yard, was taken quite sick yesterday and had to be sent to his home in Brighton.

The thermometer at the navy-yard gate went down to 18 yesterday morning, and remained at that point from 4 to 8 o'clock.

William Claiborne, alias "Jim Soup," will be tried in the Hustings Court next Monday for feloniously cutting and wounding one Mary Ham.

The case of the Commonwealth against Alonzo Daniels for feloniously cutting James Carey with intent to maim, disfigure, disable and kill, will be tried in the Hustings Court next Thursday. Captain Charles T. Bland will represent Daniels.

A colored woman was arrested on the suburbs yesterday upon the charge of having stolen some clothing from a lady with whom she was living.

The oxen dealers have had a hard time in getting oxen this week on account of the bad weather.

There was no docket in the Mayor's Court yesterday, no arrest having been made for the previous twenty-four hours.

A white girl is wanted in a family of this city. Read the advertisement and call as directed.

Yesterday was Chinese New Year. They enjoyed it among themselves eating and having a good time generally. To-night they will go over to Norfolk to a banquet.

Mr. Malbury Moore, a clerk for the U. S. Court, is at home with the mumps. The proposition made by the King's Daughters in reference to building a hospital is favorably thought of. It was generally discussed yesterday.

Miss Mira Johnson, of Lynchburg, is in the city on a visit to relatives. In Park View.

Dr. Wood, physician to the county poor house, was in the city yesterday, for the purpose of securing such assistance as would tend to cure the disorderly inmates of that institution.

Captain John Lane, of Philadelphia, a veteran volunteer fireman of that city, was in Portsmouth yesterday.

The Topeka, which was ordered to this navy-yard for repairs and afterwards sent to Boston, which change was first made public through these columns, sailed yesterday in company with the collier Sterling. The Topeka did not need assistance in leaving this harbor, but may require aid when the Atlantic ocean is reached.

L. R. Watts, special commissioner, to W. N. White, lot on north side of King street, between Dinwiddie and Washington streets, adjoining Friedlin's property, \$1,500. The was the only property transfer made in Portsmouth yesterday.

Mr. Dawson Maupin, assistant cashier of the Bank of Portsmouth, is out, after several days' illness.

John Leonard, of the U. S. S. Sterling, referred to in yesterday's issue, was placed on board the receiving ship Franklin yesterday by a policeman.

The cold snap has caused considerable suffering. A number of ladies whose husbands are sick were out asking aid yesterday.

A gentleman from Colorado, who has been visiting in this section, says that he never suffered with the cold half as much at home, with the thermometer 50 degrees below zero, as he does here. He thinks that the winds are terribly cutting.

John Conway, colored, who is employed by Mr. J. S. Crawford as a porter in his store, has been granted a patent on a laundry table, which is said to be simple and will add much to the comfort of those who use them.

The funeral of little Marie Ruth Tatem will take place this afternoon from the residence of her parents, on Pearl street, near Holiday, at 3 o'clock. The interment will be in St. Paul's Cemetery.

Mr. Joseph Johnson, a former citizen of Portsmouth, but now of East Orange, N. J., is lying dangerously ill with pneumonia.

Vice-President St. John, of the Seaboard Air Line, has issued an order requiring every employee of the road to be vaccinated. This applies to everybody, white and black, high and low, and those who have not already been vaccinated will have to submit.

A young son of Police Officer W. S. Diggs, while handling a Robert rifle yesterday, accidentally pulled the trigger and the lead entering his foot, made a very painful wound. The gun was loaded with bird shot and the young man's foot was badly lacerated. Dr. Hope dressed the injury.

One white drunk and disorderly and two tramps were registered at the station-house late last night.

The Portsmouth Colliery Club enjoyed a german at Kim Hall last night. Mary Coleman, a colored woman on London street, ran a sewing machine needle through one of her fingers yesterday.

## NAVAL INTELLIGENCE.

Lieutenant C. S. Williams, detached from the Gwin and ordered to the Marblehead.

Assistant Surgeon F. E. McCullough, detached from the Naval Hospital at Mare Island and ordered at once to the Nero.

Chief Engineer A. C. Engard, ordered to examination for retirement.

Passed Assistant Engineer L. M. Nulton, detached from the Abarenda and ordered at once to the Yosemite.

Chief Engineer R. G. Denig, detached from the Yosemite and ordered to the Montgomery.

Passed Assistant Surgeon T. A. Barryhill, detached from the New York and ordered to the Panther.

Assistant Engineer J. R. Morris, ordered to the Nero instead of to the Ranger.

Commander W. F. Field, ordered to command the Scindia.

Commander E. W. Watson, detached from the Scindia and ordered home.

Lieutenant Commander R. T. Jasper's orders to command the Marcellus are revoked.

Commander W. I. Moore's orders to command the Abarenda are revoked and he is ordered to command the Marcellus.

Commander Walton Goodwin, ordered to command the Abarenda in addition to his present duties.

Ensign F. E. Ridgely, detached from the Justin and ordered to the Nero.

Lieutenant John Hood, detached from the Topeka and ordered to the Nero.

Naval Cadet George Webber, detached from the Montgomery and ordered to the Ranger.

Ensign E. P. Jessop, detached from the Justin and ordered to the Independence.

Ensign N. T. Coleman, detached from the Justin and ordered to the Pensacola.

Rear Admiral Benham, retired, detached as prize commissioner and ordered home.

Lieutenant J. P. McGuinness, detached from the Albatross and ordered to the Nero.

Captain Frank Wildes, ordered to the New York Navy-yard.

Passed Assistant Surgeon C. E. Riggs, detached from the Topeka and ordered to the New York.

Lieutenant F. B. Case, detached from the office of the judge advocate general and ordered home.

Assistant Surgeon J. Stepp, detached from the Independence and ordered to the Mare Island Naval Hospital.

Passed Assistant Engineer M. N. Uslina, detached from the Justin and ordered home.

Assistant Paymaster J. B. Sanford, detached from the Justin and ordered home.

## BRIAN M'GRATH DEAD.

Passed Away Wednesday Night in the Naval Hospital at Portsmouth, N. H.

In the Naval Hospital at Portsmouth, N. H., at 8 o'clock Wednesday night, a well known and popular Portsmouth boy, Brian D. McGrath, breathed his last after an illness of about a month.

Brian at the time of his death occupied the important and responsible position of chief machinist of the U. S. S. Alliance, and his untimely demise terminated a continuous service in the United States navy of 18 years.

Brian D. McGrath possessed a most generous nature; his hand was ever ready to assist those less fortunate than himself. He was honest and upright in all his dealings with his fellow men, and news of his death was received in this city with unfeigned sorrow. His remains will arrive home to-morrow morning, and will be taken to the home of his mother, Mrs. Mary McGrath, No. 119 Lincoln street, whence the funeral will take place Sunday. Besides a mother, who deeply feels the heavy hand of affliction which has been placed upon her, he leaves a sister, Mrs. J. Thompson Carr, and four brothers, Messrs. Peter, Thomas, Edward and Michael McGrath.

The cause of this young man's death is said to have been wounds received while a member of the crew of the Cushing during the war with Spain.

## FOUND FIVE TRUE BILLS.

Yesterday ushered in the February term of the Hustings Court. Judge A. S. Watts presided. The grand jury was charged, and after a retirement of two hours found the following "true bills."

Wm. Claiborne, Charles Hughes, Alonzo Daniels and James Kenny, felony, and Arthur Christmas, house-breaking.

In the case of Luther Strayhorn, charged with feloniously burning a little girl, his step daughter, the jury reported "not a true bill."

Other business, in conjunction with the setting of cases for trial, was as follows:

Joseph M. Sussman, a Russian, admitted to citizenship.

H. C. Niemeyer qualified as administrator of Sarah H. Niemeyer, deceased, in bond of \$200.

## SHE IS AFRAID OF HIM.

About sixty days ago a negro named Wm. Elliott was arrested, charged with whipping his wife, and fined \$50 by Justice Nash, and in default was committed to jail for sixty days. His time has about expired, and yesterday his wife appeared in court and made oath that she was afraid of him, as since he has been in jail he had been heard to say that as soon as he got out he would go to her house and kill her. His Honor will leave the matter to Justice Nash for settlement, and should he refuse to act in the matter he will require Elliott to give a bond before being released. He is considered a bad man, and will, unless put under restraint, attempt to carry out his threat, it is believed.

## HON. E. C. FOLKES COMING.

To-night at 7:30 o'clock in Elks' Hall, Portsmouth Lodge No. 441, International Association of Machinists, will hold "open lodge," and in conjunction thereto will give "a smoker." The occasion will be a much appreciated visit from Hon. E. C. Folkles, of Richmond, who is a member of Richmond Lodge No. 10 of the same organization, and who will address the Portsmouth Lodge on the subject of "Organization."

This distinguished young gentleman is a clear, forceful and eloquent speaker, and those who fall to hear him to-night will miss a treat indeed. Mr. Folkles is a member of the General Assembly of Virginia, representing Richmond.

## EVENTS TO-DAY.

Montank Tribe, No. 55, I. O. R. M. Old Dominion Lodge, No. 5, I. O. O. F. Portsmouth Lodge, I. A. of M. O.

Try our 15c. boys' black hose, two pairs for 25c. Heavy ribbed. Charles R. Welton & Co.

## THIS SHOWS YOU HOW TO REGISTER

## For Employment at This and Other Yards.

## SECRETARY'S LATEST ORDER

**If You Read Carefully There Need Not Be Mistakes Made in Having Your Name Registered For Employment in this or Any Other Navy Yard. All Applications Must Be Presented in Person.**

There being a desire on the part of the public to fully understand the order of the Secretary in reference to the employment of labor at navy-yards, the Virginian-Pilot this morning publishes in full for the benefit of all concerned Secretary Long's latest order, knowing that the people of Portsmouth will fully appreciate it:

Navy-yard order No. 26—Revised. Employment of Labor at Navy-yards. Navy Department, Jan. 11, 1899.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT AS LABORERS AND MECHANICS.**

1. The employment of laborers and mechanics at each of the United States navy-yards and stations is committed to a board consisting of three commissioned officers on duty at the station designated the "Board of Labor Employment."

2. No person can be given employment in a United States navy-yard as a mechanic or laborer until he registers with the Board of Labor Employment.

3. The office of the Board of Labor Employment is in the navy-yard. Persons residing in the vicinity of the navy-yard in which they desire to register for employment should apply to the board in person, bring the regular working hours of the yard, for prescribed blank forms upon which application must be made, and for information required to facilitate registration.

4. Persons at a distance should write to the "Board of Labor Employment" at the navy-yard in which they desire to register, for the prescribed blank application and blank certificates of recommendation. They should state the occupation in Schedule A, or the trade in Schedule B, in which they desire to register.

5. All applicants will be registered in the order of their application.

6. No applicant will be registered unless he furnishes satisfactory evidence that he is a citizen of the United States, or has served in the army, navy or marine corps, and that his discharge or discharge therefrom is not dishonorable or for bad conduct.

7. Before entering the name of an applicant on the register, such further inquiry may be made in regard to his character and capacity as the board may deem practicable or expedient; and any applicant who has been convicted of crime, misdemeanor or vagrancy, may, in the discretion of the board, be refused registration.

8. In case an applicant is found, in the opinion of the board, unfit or in any way disqualified to perform the service which he seeks, his name will not be entered on the register.

9. No certificates, other than those filed at the date of registration, will be received or required subsequent to entry of the applicant's name on the register.

10. Any applicant for employment who gives a false name, residence, or presents false certificates, or secures registration or employment through false representation, will be discharged, and his name permanently removed from the register, as soon as the fact is ascertained.

11. Applicants will be admitted and restricted to registration in such of the occupations and trades in the following list, under Schedules A and B, as are approved by the department for the navy-yard in which the applicant desires work:

## SCHEDULE A.

Boys—Boys, boiler scalers; dredgers, helpers, general; helpers, blacksmiths; helpers, boat builders; helpers, joiners; helpers, machinists; helpers, molders; helpers, painters; helpers, plumbers; helpers, sawmill; helpers, ship fitters; helpers, shipwrights; helpers, tinners; helpers, boiler makers; helpers, brass finishers; helpers, carpenters (house); helpers, cooper-smiths; helpers, galvanizers; helpers, iron finishers; hod carriers; hold-on, janitors, laborers (common); rivet heaters, stable keepers, teamsters.

## SCHEDULE B.

Anchor makers, blacksmiths, block makers, boat builders, boiler makers, box makers, cabinetmakers, calkers, wood; calkers and chippers, iron; carpenters (house), cartridge makers, catchers, chain makers, coffee roasters, compass fitters, coopers, copper redners, cooper-smiths, core makers, divers, drillers, drivers for fire engine, engine tenders, engine tenders, fire; engine tenders, locomotive; engine tenders, stationary; fasteners, finishers, brass; finishers, iron; firemen, flag makers, flag turners, forgers, heavy; furnace men; galvanizers, gas fitters, gas makers, hammer men, harness makers, hostlers, horsehoes, instrument makers, joiners (house), joiners (ship), laborators, leather workers, letterers and grainers, machinists, all round; machinists, tool hand; machinists, floor or vice hand; machinists, electrical; masons, brick; masons, stone; mill men, model makers, molders, green sand (iron or brass); molders, loam; oakum spinners, oakum makers, ordinance men, packers, painters, pattern makers, painters, heavy; pipe fitters, plasterers, plumbers (house), plumbers (ship), pressmen, printers, punchers and sheeters, reamers, riggers, riveters, rollers, iron; rope makers, sailmakers, saw fliers, sawyers, seamstresses, ship fitters, shipwrights, slaters, spar makers, stonecutters, tinners, tin roofers, tool makers, tool sharpeners, turners, upholsterers, wharf builders, wheelwrights, wiremen.

12. An applicant to be registered for employment in an occupation or trade, in Schedule A or B, must present in person to the Board of Labor Employment, at the navy yard in which he desires employment, an application, and evidence to establish his capacity for the work he desires, his character and habits of industry and sobriety.

13. The board will furnish prescribed blank forms (Navy Yard Orders, Forms 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22) to enable applicants to carry out the provisions of paragraph 12.

14. These forms must not be folded nor in any way mutilated. The printed words thereon must not be erased. The name of the occupation or trade for which the applicant is recommended in the certificates must be identical with that written on the application.

15. Form 17, the application, to be filled out and signed by the applicant.

16. Form 18, a statement of the applicant's services in the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps of the United States, to be presented and signed by an applicant who shows to the Board of Labor Employment, when presenting his application, an honorable discharge from or a certificate of service in one or more of the said armed branches of the government.

17. Form 19, a character certificate, which must be signed by a reputable citizen of the applicant's locality, testifying to the latter's character and habits of industry and sobriety.

18. Form 20, a trade certificate, which must be signed by a firm or member thereof, superintendent, master workman, or other person under whom the applicant has worked at the trade in which he applies for employment, certifying to his capacity in said trade and to his character and habits of industry and sobriety; and the person who so certifies must specifically state that he has employed the applicant in the trade for which he recommends him. If this certificate is signed by a foreman, quartermaster, or other employee of a navy yard, it shall not be accepted.

19. Form 21, a certificate which must be signed by the head of the department of a navy yard under whom the applicant served in the trade in which he applies for employment.

20. Form 22, a discharge card, which must be signed by the head of the department of a navy yard under whom the recipient served.

21. An applicant may be registered as "boy," "boiler scaler," "janitor," or "laborer," if he presents to the Board of Labor Employment with his application any one of the following properly filled out and signed, viz:

(a) Forms 18 and 20.  
(b) Forms 19 and 20.  
(c) Form 21.  
(d) Form 22.

22. An applicant may be registered in any occupation of Schedule A other than those mentioned in the preceding paragraph, or in any trade of Schedule B, if he presents with his application any one of the following properly filled out and signed, viz:

(a) Forms 18 and 20.  
(b) Forms 19 and 20.  
(c) Form 21.  
(d) Form 22.

23. Chief petty officers, petty officers of the first, second and third class of the "seaman branch," "seaman gunners" and "marines," whose honorable discharges or continuous-service certificates show that they are proficient in some work, and that their average conduct is marked 4 or better, may be registered as "ordnance men" or "general helpers," upon filling out, blank "Navy-yard Orders Form 17," and "Navy-yard Orders Form 18." Chief petty officers, petty officers of the first, second and third class of the "artificer branch," and firemen, shipwrights and sailmakers, whose honorable discharges or continuous-service certificates show that they are proficient in their respective ratings, and that their average conduct is marked 4 or better, may be registered in such occupations or trades as correspond to the respective ratings in which they served, upon filling out blank "Navy-yard Orders Form 17" and "Navy-yard Orders Form 18."

24. Persons included in paragraph 23 after a service of six years in the navy or marine corps, exclusive of apprentice service, may at any time within two years after the date of their last discharge be registered under Clause II (see paragraph 27).

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26. The term of eligibility, for certification by the board, of a registered applicant shall be one year from the date on which the name of the applicant is entered upon the register, and the name of a registered applicant shall then be dropped from the register unless he presents to the Labor Board during the last month of the term of his eligibility a request in writing (Navy-yard Order Form 29) that his name and number be continued on the list. When this is done his term of eligibility shall be extended for one year, and this extension may be renewed each succeeding year in the manner above described, but shall not carry with it an extension of the period during which preference is given for "excellent" workmanship.

27. The name of each registered applicant will be certified for employment in order of registration by trades; preference being given as follows:

CLAUSE I.  
(a) Veterans of the war of the rebellion and those who served in the naval or military service of the United States during the Spanish-American war in foreign waters or on foreign soil who were subsequently honorably discharged.

(b) Those who served in the naval or military service of the United States during the war of the rebellion who did not reach the front and who were subsequently honorably discharged, and those who served in the home waters or on home soil—not at the front—in the naval or military service of the United States during the Spanish-American war and who were subsequently honorably discharged.

(c) Those who have given satisfaction in navy yard work in the same or in an allied trade to that for which requisition is made, and who present certificates or discharge cards from the head of department under whom they severally served, showing that their

workmanship was "excellent" and conduct not less than "good."

(b) Those who have served in the Navy or Marine Corps for a period of six years or more, exclusive of apprentice service, in the same or in an allied trade to that for which requisition is made and whose honorable discharges or continuous service certificates show that they are proficient in their respective ratings, and that their average conduct is marked 4 or better.

CLAUSE III.  
All others on the register.

28. When a registered applicant is needed he will be notified by postal card when and where to report for work.

29. A registered applicant must keep the Board of Labor Employment informed of any change he may make in his post-office address. An applicant who does not comply with this rule will not be excused for failure, in consequence of such non-compliance, to report for work at the time designated on the postal card mailed him by the board.

JOHN D. LONG, Secretary.

**ABOUT PORTSMOUTH PEOPLE.**

The Rev. Dr. R. H. Pitt Appreciates This Splendid City and its People.

The Rev. Dr. R. H. Pitt, who filled the pulpit of the Court Street Baptist Church in this city last Sunday has the following to say in the current number of his paper, the Baptist Religious Herald:

"It rained and the wind was never weary." The weather (with one exception), has been against me whenever of late I have run down to Norfolk, Portsmouth and vicinity. Sunday was wet, cold and raw; but, nevertheless, a goodly company gathered at old Court Street morning and evening. I heard everywhere expressions of personal interest in and affection for my friend, Dr. Owen, whose long pastorate closed on the last Sunday in January. Several told me that his last sermon was one of his best. He is greatly beloved in Portsmouth, where he lived and labored so many years. Dr. Owen began his work at Grace Church Sunday morning under very pleasant and auspicious conditions.

The Court Street people have not entered seriously upon the work of selecting a pastor. They will take time to settle so serious a question. The field is one of the most important in the State. The church has a long and noble history. It has been greatly blessed in its pastors, having been served by men of fine abilities and character. Quite naturally, they approach the question of choosing a 'bishop' with painful anxiety. May they find the right man!

On Monday, for the first time in all my wanderings, I looked in on the Pastors' Conference. Our good friend, Dr. Fisher, gives the report elsewhere. This prosperous and growing section has a fine, vigorous ministry, and they are pressing their work with commendable zeal and gratifying results.

Rev. Henry Varley was present at the conference, and made a deeply interesting and impressive address. The conference, on motion of Dr. Owen, passed resolutions of gratitude to Mr. Varley for his valuable services in recent meetings, and to Dr. J. J. Hall for arranging to bring him to the community. The brethren expressed their individual sense of obligation to Mr. Varley for the great benefits they had derived from his ministry. I had the privilege of meeting Mr. and Mrs. Varley at the hospitable home of Dr. Hall. They go South this week.

"My home while in Portsmouth was with Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Brooks. It was not the first time I had tested the hospitality of these generous people, and they added much to the pleasure of my visit."

**THAT BIG PYTHIAN BANQUET.**

The Monumental Lawn Workers Society, a city will banquet it.

The big Pythian banquet which will be given to the members of the grand lodge here the 25th of February, March 1st and 2nd, has been the talk among the Pythians of this city for some time. The members of the order expect to make it the biggest thing of the kind that has ever taken place in this or any other city of the State. Covers will be laid for 500 Pythians. The committee in charge have been energetically at work making all arrangements for it.

Bids for furnishing the supper, was asked from all the church societies in the city, which saw fit to give an estimate. Bids were received from twelve. They ranged from 65 to 75 cents. The Monumental Lawn Workers Society being the lowest bidder, was awarded the contract.

**THIS IS THE MENU.**

Roast Pig, Smithfield Ham, Roast Beef, Spiced Beef, Beef Tongue, Smoked, Oysters—

Pickled, Fried, Stewed, Raw, Potato Salad, Chicken Salad, Shaw, Worcester Sauce, Mustard, Mixed Pickles, Celery, Coffee, Tea, Milk, Bread and Butter, Crackers, Turkey, Cranberry Sauce, Chicken, Cheese.

Ice Cream and Jelly Cake, Bananas, Oranges, Apples, Grapes, Cigars.

**DIED.**

TATEM.—At 12:50 p. m., February 5, 1899, Portsmouth, Va., MARIE RUTH TATEM, infant daughter of Joseph M. and Barbara A. Tatem, aged 1 year and 1 week.

The funeral services will take place at the residence of her parents, Pearl street, near Holiday, Park View, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON at 3 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances are invited to attend. Interment at St. Paul's Catholic Cemetery.

(c) Those who have served in the Navy or Marine Corps since the war of the rebellion for a period of twelve years or more, exclusive of apprentice service, and who were honorably discharged therefrom.

(d) Those who have served in the naval or military service of the United States since the war of the rebellion and have been honorably discharged therefrom by reason of disability resulting from wounds or sickness incurred in the line of duty.

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